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Claims 13-19 are pending in this application. Claims 1-12 have been canceled. Claims 14-19 have been added.

Support

The amendments to the claims are fully supported in the application as filed, including the original claims and do not introduce any new matter into the application.

Support for claim 13 can be found in original claims 3-9.

Support for new claim 14 can be found in non-elected claim 4.

Support for new claim 15 can be found in original claim 5.

Support for new claim 16 can be found in original claim 6.

Support for independent process claim 17 can be found in independent claim 7.

Support for dependent claim 18 can be found in original dependent claim 8.

Support for claim 19 can be found in original claim 9.

Election/Restriction

The requirement for restriction in paragraphs 1-9 of the

amendment to the application filed 11/11/09, is not proper under 35 U.S.C. 131.1(a) because the claims are directed to the same invention.

Claim Objections

The objections to claims 12 and 13 under 37 CFR 1.75(c) in paragraph 7 of the outstanding Office Action are traversed, but have been rendered moot by the present Amendment. Claim 12 has been canceled. Claim 13 has been rewritten in independent form. The Examiner is thanked for her suggestion. Claim 13 is now believed to be free of any objections noted in paragraph 7 of the outstanding Office Action.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 102

Rejection of claims 10 and 11 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Miyazaki et al. (U.S. Patent 4,915,710) is traversed, but has been rendered moot by this amendment. Both of these claims have been canceled. No other claim was rejected on this ground.

Drawings

A single sheet of a formal drawing was timely filed in this application and is believed to fully comply with the statute and the rules. The Examiner has raised no objection to the drawing. Unless objection be timely made, it will be assumed the drawing is acceptable to the Examiner.

Conclusion

It is believed that all claims are now in condition for allowance.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a), Applicant(s) respectfully petition(s) for a one (1) month extension of time for filing a reply in connection with the present application, and the required fee of \$110.00 is attached hereto.

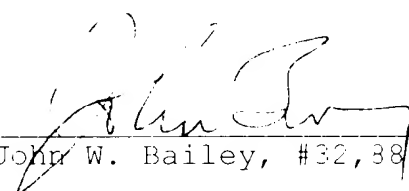
Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact David R. Murphy (Reg. No. 22,751) at the telephone number of the undersigned below.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the application by this Amendment.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: Version with Markings to Show Changes Made

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-12 have been canceled.

The claims have been amended as follows:

Claim 13. (Amended) A process for producing a substrate comprising a step of polishing a substrate to be polished with [the] a polishing composition comprising:

water;

an abrasive;

a roll-off reducing agent comprising one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of carboxylic acids having 2 to 20 carbon atoms having either OH group or groups or SE group or groups, monocarboxylic acids having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, and dicarboxylic acids having 2 to 3 carbon atoms, and salts thereof; and
an intermediate alumina [of any one of claims 3 to 9].

Claims 14-19 have been added.